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NEWS RELEASE

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 178,284 for the month of September, 2003. This figure represents a decrease of 9.85% as compared to September, 2002.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

Vehicle Classification	One-Way Crossings	Percent of Inc/Dec. From 9 /02	Percent of Total Crossings
Full-Fare Passenger Cars:	93,215	-13.6%	52.3%
Commuter Fare:	65,059	-7.0%	36.5%
Car Pulling Trailers	8,154	-1.7%	4.6%
Commercial Trucks:	11,856	-2.6%	6.6%
Totals:	178,284		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2003 has totaled 1,460,754 vehicles; this represents a decrease of 9% as compared to 2002. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 74,700,000 vehicles have crossed the structure.

Sincerely,

International Bridge Administration

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